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**NEW ARTS PLAZA APPROVED FOR LINCOLN SQUARE**

A new public arts plaza in Lincoln Square will be partly funded through a financial plan approved today by City Council.

The Ainslie Arts Plaza will use \$57,000 in Open Space Impact Fees to enhance an underutilized, half block-stretch of Lincoln Avenue between Gunnison and Ainslie streets. The plaza will include planters, a festival tent, storage shed, fencing, picnic tables, murals, movable seating, hammocks, landscaping, lighting and other features.

The balance of the \$87,000 project will be funded by the Lincoln Square Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce, which will maintain the site for use by local residents. Work is expected to be completed this fall.

Open Space Impact Fees are generated by new residential development projects to help improve and expand public open spaces within the City's 77 community areas.

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